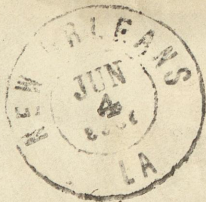


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Dear Father & Mother

I rec^d your
welcome letter of the 10th of
April about a week ago. and
this is the first chance I
have had to answer it. in
fact we have had no chance
to write and in most two
months except one day when
Harrison wrote you and
sent our likenesses. I got
me partly written when
we had orders to go back
up the ^{Bayou} ~~deche~~ which ^{we} done
accordingly and have just
returned yesterday foot sore
and completely tired out

having marched between
five & six hundred miles
since we crossed ^{the Bay} the 9th of
last month I think that is
enough marching for once in
this country especially it is very
warm here now Harrison &
I have stood it as well as
any of them we are both
well now except being tired
You of course have heard of
the fight we were in and
all of the particulars so
you know as much about
as I do we never have seen
any account of it. I wish
you send me the Tribune
that has got it in. I can
tell you we had a hot
time for a day and half
but we was too much for

them and of course they had
to skedaddle. we have not
seen any fighting since
except a little skirmish
with some Guerrillas
which attacked our rear
guard after we passed
through Frankler 30
miles above ^{here} as we were
coming down. they killed
the Lieut of the rear
guard and a cavalry
man and wounded four
they took a major and
three Lieuts and one Capt.
and a number of men
that were straggling ~~back~~
behind. our company was
deployed as skirmishers
we tried to coax them up
to near enough so we ~~could~~

could try our skill on them
but could not. We were going
to camp there for the night
but we heard there was a
heavy force coming down
superior to ours, and we
a valuable waggon train
with us which we wanted
to get to this place which
we did by marching
all night after marching
all day ~~and~~ that day
and the next untill noon
I can tell you we were
tired if ever any lot of
men ~~were~~ were. I got
to sleep a dozen times
marching along in the
ranks. They are bound
to keep our regt on a
move the untill the war

is closed or till our time
is out for we only came
back yesterday and we
have orders to go to New
Orleans. either to night
or in the morning
we ~~probably~~ will go on
the cars. The war news in
this department of the war
has been very good for the
past month the Rebels have
been driven from every point
where they have
made a stand except
Port Hudson & Vicksburg
and our men are hard
at work at both places
we have heard the roar
of the mortars in front
of Port Hudson every day

for the past two weeks
the whole army in this
department are in mo-
tion. We got two months
pay the first of this
month the day we left
here. we would have got
four months pay if the
~~pay~~ rolls had been
~~paid~~ made out. we only
got ten dollars in
money and the checks
we will ^{get} next pay day
for the two months.
that we got the money for
Harrison says he will ~~write~~
write tomorrow he has
been busy since we come
back. The boys from L—
are all well except
Elijah but he is so busy

around again and
Homer is in New Orleans
at the Marine Hospital
he has not been with us
in over two months the
best thing he can do is to
go home. till Lute I will
write to her the first chance
I get. I want write two
more letters to night if
I have time I dont know
as I can for I have some
work to do to get ready for
another march.

Give my love to all and
write soon

Yours Affectionately Samty
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